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Expressing sympathy to the families of those killed by North Korea in the sinking of the Republic of Korea Ship Cheonan, and solidarity with the Republic of Korea in the aftermath of this tragic incident.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 20, 2010

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. BERMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing sympathy to the families of those killed by North Korea in the sinking of the Republic of Korea Ship Cheonan, and solidarity with the Republic of Korea in the aftermath of this tragic incident.

Whereas, on March 26, 2010, the Republic of Korea Ship (ROKS) Cheonan was sunk by an external explosion in the vicinity of Baengnyeong Island, Republic of Korea;

Whereas of the 104 members of the crew of the ROKS Cheonan, 46 were killed in this incident, including 6 lost at sea;

Whereas, on April 25, 2010, the Government of the Republic of Korea commenced a 5-day period of mourning for these 46 sailors;

Whereas, on May 20, 2010, the Government of the Republic of Korea released an international investigation report on the circumstances surrounding the sinking of the ROKS Cheonan;

Whereas the report, conducted by 74 experts, including 24 from the international community and 50 from the Republic of Korea, found conclusive evidence that the sinking of the ROKS Cheonan was the result of a torpedo attack made by North Korea, in clear violation of the Korean War Armistice Agreement;

Whereas the alliance between the United States and the Republic of Korea has been a vital anchor for security and stability in Asia for more than 50 years; and

Whereas the United States and the Republic of Korea are bound together by the shared values of democracy and the rule of law: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) expresses its sympathy and condolences to
3 the families and loved ones of the sailors of the Re-
4 public of Korea Ship (ROKS) Cheonan who were
5 killed in action on March 26, 2010;

6 (2) stands in solidarity with the people and the
7 Government of the Republic of Korea in the after-
8 math of this tragic incident;

9 (3) reaffirms its enduring commitment to the
10 alliance between the Republic of Korea and the
11 United States and to the security of the Republic of
12 Korea;

1 (4) supports the findings and conclusions of the
2 investigation report released by the Government of
3 the Republic of Korea on May 20, 2010;

4 (5) condemns North Korea in the strongest
5 terms for sinking the ROKS Cheonan;

6 (6) calls for an apology by North Korea for its
7 hostile acts and a commitment by North Korea
8 never to violate the Korean War Armistice Agree-
9 ment again;

10 (7) urges the international community to pro-
11 vide all necessary support to the Republic of Korea
12 as the Government of the Republic of Korea pre-
13 pares to respond to the actions committed by North
14 Korea, which led to sinking of the ROKS Cheonan;

15 (8) urges the international community to fully
16 and faithfully implement all United Nations Security
17 Council Resolutions pertaining to security on the
18 Korean Peninsula, including United Nations Secu-
19 rity Council Resolution 1695 (2006), United Nations
20 Security Council Resolution 1718 (2006), and
21 United Nations Security Council Resolution 1874
22 (2009); and

23 (9) further urges the United States, in coordi-
24 nation with its allies and partners, to take other ap-
25 propriate actions in response to the sinking of the

- 1 ROKS Cheonan and other hostile acts of North
- 2 Korea.

